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JFE**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This amendment and response is to the Office Action dated September 17, 2002, having a shortened statutory time for response set to expire on December 17, 2002. This amendment and response is timely filed because a two-month extension of time has been paid for and requested. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as provided below.

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